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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT

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TOPIC Drewitz Airfield

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EVALUATION

PLACE OBTAINED

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DATE PREPARED

18 March 1954

REFERENCES

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ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. At the end of 1953, an engineer office in Dresden received an order for a water processing plant and an air conditioning plant for the culture house erected at Drewitz airfield.
2. [redacted] Yak-18s were used for practice flights at the field at the beginning of February. [redacted] some of the pilots had attended a 14-months training course in the USSR, allegedly in Podolsk. During this training course, there had been no casualties and only a few minor crashes had occurred. Damaged aircraft were immediately replaced by the Soviets. The monthly payment amounted to 600 rubles and 600 eastmarks. After completion of the course, the VPL personnel received leave to go to Moscow where they could make purchases.

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Comment

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[redacted] these pilots were distributed to the Aeroclubs at Cottbus, Drewitz and Bautzen airfields and to the school for pilot instructors at Kamenz. [redacted] the pilots were not trained in jet aircraft.

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